1 THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 DAVID SARRUF, 9 Plaintiff, Case No. 2:24-cv-00461-JCC 10 11 JOINT MOTION TO STAY CASE v. LILLY LONG TERM DISABILITY PLAN & 12 LILLY LIFE INSURANCE PLAN, 13 14 Defendant. 15 16 Plaintiff David Sarruf ("Plaintiff") and Defendants The Eli Lilly and Company Long 17 Term Disability Plan (the "LTD Plan") and The Eli Lilly and Company Life Insurance and 18 Death Benefit Plan (the "Life Insurance Plan")² (collectively, "Defendants"), by and through 19 their undersigned attorneys, jointly move for a brief three-week stay of all pending deadlines in 20 this case, through and including September 17, 2024, to allow the Parties to continue discussions 21 on ways to potentially resolve this matter. 22 In support of their Motion, the Parties state that they have discussed resolving this matter 23 without the need for further litigation. In order to provide the Defendants additional time to 24 consider these options, and so as to conserve resources and potentially avoid the expenditure of 25 26 ¹ The LTD Plan is incorrectly named in the Complaint as the Lilly Long Term Disability Plan. 27

² The Life Insurance Plan is incorrectly named in the Complaint as the Lilly Life Insurance Plan.

unnecessary time and money, both Parties believe that it would be productive to briefly stay the pending case deadlines.

The Parties further propose that, should this Motion be granted, then on or before September 17, 2024, the Parties will file a joint status report to inform the Court of the status of this matter and, if necessary, to propose a new scheduling order.

This Motion is not made for purposes of delay or prejudice, but so that justice may be done. This case has been pending only since April 2024, and the requested brief stay is intended to allow the Parties an opportunity to consider resolving the case without the need for further litigation.

WHEREFORE, the Parties respectfully request that the Court issue an Order staying all pending deadlines in this case for three weeks, through and including September 17, 2024.

Dated: August 27, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

THE ELI LILLY AND COMPANY LONG TERM DISABILITY PLAN AND THE ELI LILLY AND COMPANY LIFE INSURANCE AND DEATH BENEFIT PLAN

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[PROPOSED] ORDER STAYING CASE

This matter came regularly before the Court through the joint motion filed by the Parties above (**Dkt. No. 24**). The Court, having considered the joint motion and the facts described therein, finds good cause for the agreed-upon stay and hereby ORDERS that all pending case deadlines be stayed. The Parties are also ORDERED to file a joint status report by September 17, 2024 to inform the Court of the status of this matter and, if necessary, to propose a new scheduling order.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 27th day of August 2024.

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THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 27th day of August 2024, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to all counsel of record who receive CM/ECF notifications.

Dated: August 27, 2024

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